Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 20 Nov 2020 until 23:59 on Saturday 21 Nov 2020

Forecast Issued on Thursday 19 Nov 2020 at 11:59 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High through the weekend, then low from Monday.

Headline for Friday 20 Nov 2020: Cloudy with widespread hill fog and outbreaks of rain, some heavy. Strengthening southwesterly gales.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 20 Nov 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
High Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Drizzle	Fog	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	20%	40%	90%	40%	70%	80%

Forecast for Friday 20 Nov 2020

Weather: Cloudy with occasional rain, preceded by snow above 600m in the early hours though it will be very light and patchy light at this stage. Some heavier outbreaks of rain developing during the day and evening. Increasingly murky with hill fog. Turning clearer and mainly dry towards midnight.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10%, with extensive low cloud, rising 70% by midnight.

Visibility: Moderate or poor at times in rain becoming generally good late evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	28/35 S	30/37 S	35/43 S	34/43 S	43/55 S	43/58 SW	48/67 SW	47/67 SW	41/59 SW
900	27/34 S	27/34 S	33/41 S	32/40 S	40/52 S	40/56 SW	45/63 SW	45/64 SW	39/57 SW
600	17/25 S	15/22 S	21/30 S	21/30 S	26/39 S	29/44 SW	33/51 SW	33/53 SW	29/47 SW
300	3/19 S	3/19 S	5/26 S	4/26 S	7/34 SW	10/40 SW	11/47 SW	14/49 SW	13/46 SW
Glen	8/20 S	8/21 S	11/25 S	12/29 S	13/31 S	16/35 SW	23/49 SW	23/47 SW	20/43 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-2/-11	-1/-9	1/-7	3/-4	4/-4	6/-1	5/-2	4/-4	2/-6
900	-2/-9	-0/-8	1/-6	3/-3	4/-2	6/-0	6/-1	4/-3	3/-5
600	1/-5	2/-3	3/-2	5/0	6/1	8/3	8/3	7/1	5/-1
300	3/1	4/2	4/2	6/4	8/6	9/7	9/7	9/6	7/4
Glen	6/3	6/4	7/4	9/6	10/8	11/8	12/8	11/8	10/6
Freezing Level*	600m	1500m	1600m	1700m	2700m	2700m	2700m	1700m	1200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Winds could be 20mph higher than the table in the far north in the evening.

Forecast for Saturday 21 Nov 2020
Weather: Clear or sunny intervals and frequent blustery showers, perhaps with lightning, and with snow above 600 or 700m. Snow settling above 750-800m.

Maximum wind: WSW 55 gusts 75mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60% - cloud bases varying as showers push through, but clearances limited on the highest ranges so more like 30% there.

Visibility: Good falling poor in snow showers. Perhaps enough lying eventually lying to blow around and reduce visibility further on the tops.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 7 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 5 Celsius falling to Plus 1 Celsius, occasionally 0 Celsius in showers, and feeling much colder due to the wind chill.
Freezing level: Above summits at midnight but soon falling to 800-900m.

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